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Attorney Docket No.: FCJO 16.572 (100794-11328)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Inventor: NAOMI YAMAZAKI
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Filed: October 4, 1999
Title: CROSS-CONNECTION SWITCH
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeal from the final rejection dated July 14, 2003, of non-allowed claims 1-8.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate

1. ☒ (x) An extension of time to respond to the final rejection was requested on January 14, 2004 for three (3) month(s).
2. ☒ (x) A timely response to the final rejection has been filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
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